

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Rakesh Kumar
Mitsuhide TAKAMURA	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 3654
Appln. No.: 10/688,389	)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 1291
Filed: October 20, 2003	)	
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For: SHEET PROCESSING APPARATUS	)	October 19, 2006
FEATURING RELATIVELY-	:	
DISPLACES STAPLED SHEET	)	
BUNDLES AND RELATED	:	
METHOD	)	

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the final Office Action dated June 22, 2006 for one (1) month from September 22, 2006 to October 22, 2006.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205 \$120.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

Applicant's attorney, William M. Wannisky, may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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